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31 March 1967

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 31 March 1967

DD/I reported that the briefing requested by Ambassador Bowles is scheduled for Monday and that Bruce Clarke will leave tonight.

DD/I called attention to an article in this morning's New York Times on Soviet aid to North Vietnam. He explained the discrepancies between the two sets of figures used and said that he is sending Bill Morell and Paul Walsh to DIA today to attempt coordination once again. DDCI asked the DD/I to let him know whom Morell and Walsh will be contacting. The Director agreed with the DD/I's approach and noted that, if necessary, the matter will have to be resolved at higher levels.

In connection with the current Greek crisis, Godfrey initiated a discussion on the problems involved in obtaining dissemination of certain limited distribution State cables. DD/I said that he will give the Director particulars so that he will understand the dimensions of the problem.

Abbot Smith briefed the Director on a BNE session with a [redacted] member of the Vietnam ICC team.

Bross said that Tom Parrott has a draft for the Director's use in connection with the task force on Governmental organization. He proposed to give copies to the DD/I and DD/P for their perusal prior to discussion with the Director. The Director agreed.

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Executive Director said that he will meet with Idar Rimestad next Tuesday to discuss State-Agency relations and that he would appreciate any particulars which members of the Executive Committee might wish him to raise.

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DDCI noted that he is having lunch with Lou Tordella today.

DDCI called attention to a report from the Operations Center this morning concerning a practice U. S. anti-missile shot and asked the A-DD/S&T to watch for possible Soviet reaction.

DDCI remarked on an article concerning the Agency in the recent issue of Reporter magazine.

The Director noted an article by Crosby Noyes in last night's Washington Evening Star.

The Director discussed the need for and gave guidance on a review of Agency operations and contracts. With respect to the universities he particularly wants to avoid classified contracts insofar as possible. (See Action 3)

ACTIONS:

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3. The Director asked Warner to invite Bob Michaels and Bill Woodruff to Headquarters in order to review in detail the Agency's budget problems.

L. K. White

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